

**Before the  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of	)	
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Numbering Resource Optimization	)	
	)	CC Docket No. 99-200
Petition for Extension of Time of the	)	
Thousands-Block Number Pooling	)	
Implementation Deadline	)	

**ORDER**

**Adopted: February 10, 2004**

**Released: February 11, 2004**

By the Assistant Chief, Telecommunications Access Policy Division:

1. On June 10, 2003, Verizon Wireless Puerto Rico (Verizon Wireless), a division of Puerto Rico Telephone Company, filed a petition requesting the Commission to extend, for a limited period of time, the thousands-blocks number pooling deadline in the San Juan—Caguas—Arecibo, Puerto Rico Combined Metropolitan Statistical Area.<sup>1</sup>

2. On July 2, 2003, Verizon Wireless filed a motion to withdraw its Petition.<sup>2</sup> According to Verizon Wireless, the *Numbering Resource Optimization Fourth Report and Order*,<sup>3</sup> released on June 18, 2003, exempted Tier III wireless carriers from pooling until they received a request for local number portability, thereby rendering Verizon Wireless' petition moot.

3. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to the authority delegated under sections 0.91 and 0.291 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, that the request to withdraw the above-captioned Petition is GRANTED.

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<sup>1</sup> *Petition for Extension of Time of the Thousands-Block Number Pooling Implementation Date*, CC Docket No. 99-200 (filed June 10, 2003) (Petition).

<sup>2</sup> *Withdrawal of Petition*, CC Docket No. 99-200 (filed July 2, 2003).

<sup>3</sup> See *Numbering Resource Optimization*, Fourth Report and Order in CC Docket No. 99-200 and CC Docket No. 95-116, and Fourth Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 99-200, FCC 03-126, (rel. June 18, 2003) (*Numbering Resource Optimization Fourth Report and Order*).

4. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to sections 0.91 and 0.291 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, that the above-captioned Petition IS DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

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